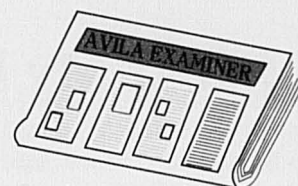


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PAVA Day a Big Success

By Janet Mees

The campus was mobbed on November 19 by approximately 300 curious high school students. Another action-packed PAVA (Performing and Visual Arts) Day can be recorded in Avila history.

The Art, Communication, Dance, Theatre, and Music programs had a chance to inspire and persuade area teenagers of Avila's potential. In other words, theatre major John Welch grinned, "It gave me a chance to show off."

Blue Springs student Shane Morphis rode home with the award of Excellence for the Design Competition that the Art program sponsored. Urte Zintler from Olathe South followed Morphis with the award for Superior. Earlier in the morning, Olathe South student Kiel Johnson

and O'Hara student Francesca Molina took the top two places in the Drawing Competition. The Art program also awed its visitors with a ceramics demonstration and workshop in the Macintosh Computer Lab.

The Communication Department was humming with workshops in TV Production and Writing. Its career panel included radio and TV professionals. Alison Smith from O'Hara captured first place in the Writing Competition.

CeCi Rog remarked about the dance demonstration, "I think the high school students enjoyed it - I know I did. I would have considered coming to Avila after seeing the program's presentation. The only disadvantage is that we offer only a minor

..." Improvisational dance exercises, ballet combinations, and isolation warm-ups were performed by the dance instructors. Two high school students brought music and entertained the program with a few combinations from their pom-pom squad.

Theatre majors dazzled the visitors with improvisational theatre and stage combat presentations.

Music students Kassi Dougherty and Windy Merrill exhibited their vocal skills to a few prospective music majors. Afterwards, Dougherty and Merrill, along with the music faculty, answered the attendees' questions.

Whether PAVA Day was the deciding inspiration for future Avila students or not, the hectic morning was definitely, for all questioned, "fun."



Communications Panel at PAVA Day By B. Alexander

Avila Prepares Attorneys

By Shelby Steele

APLS, Avila Pre-Law Society, consists of nine members and was created this year. The purpose of the APLS is to prepare students who are interested in law for the transition between education and application of these skills. They would like to increase the number of members so they will be able to send two teams to the Intercollegiate Mock Trial Tournament at Drake University.

The teams that are sent to this tournament are made up of six members: three attorneys and three witnesses. The attorneys develop the flow of the case and examine the witness. The witnesses develop their own character and harass the opposing attorneys. This tournament takes place February 8 and 9. Saturday will last from 9 a.m. till around 8 p.m. This consists of three trials. The activities will begin at 9 a.m. on Sunday, ending with an awards banquet.

Another important function is a Law School Admission Test Pretest. This gives students the opportunity to experience a real LSAT and have a chance of receiving a better score. The results are not official, but the experience is a plus.

For more information on APLS or any of the functions contact Steve Alumbaugh at 942-8400 (ext. 247) or Derek Moorhead at 451-6060 (ext. 8736).



Art Panel at PAVA Day

By B. Alexander

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New Theaters open at Ward Parkway Mall

By Linda Moon

Ward Parkway Mall and AMC Theaters announced the opening of their new, count them, twelve theaters, located on the northeast side of the mall. It has been approximately 13 years since a theater was located in this area. These are not your average theatres, but state-of-the-art theaters. Arriving at the upper level you are faced with a large lobby, ticket booth, and concession stand. (After purchasing your ticket, you may also request headphones that

are offered as a special service to the hearing impaired.) Then, moving down the hallway, you find the theaters that encompass 50,000 square feet and seat up to 2,700. The projection room above is capable of showing the same movie in all 12 theaters at once, individually, or several different box office hits. Another concession area is at the far end of the hallway for repeat snacks or in case you, being overwhelmed on entering, have forgotten to

get your popcorn, etc. With new treats like mineral water and juices--how could you go wrong?

"We can exercise a lot of flexibility here. We want to be a part of this neighborhood and this community. I would encourage everyone to come by and see what we have to offer," said Dennis McLallen, Manager.

Ticket prices are normal for the market but senior, children and student discounts (\$3.75) are available with I.D. AMC will be re-offering their Movie Watching Club after the holi-

days.

Security has been a question raised. Mr. McLallen said that they have increased security at Ward Parkway as a whole; there will be in-house security and camera monitors throughout the theater complex. Parking is not believed to be a problem, but officials at the mall will be overseeing the situation.

My suggestion is to take an afternoon and check out K.C.'s newest movie house for yourself.

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Letter To The Editor

I Lost My Friend

Somewhere, out there, is my book. A Western Civilization I text book: lost

I love this book. I underlined it with care. Not the most important sentences so far as the tests were concerned, but rather the most meaningful passages to me. Something that caught my eye, a picture that was especially beautiful...things

like that. I turned each page with care and love. Books can be resold for money; but this book is worth more than money to me.

If whoever may have found it could return it to the lost-and-found department located in the Bookstore, I would very much appreciate it. Because this was more than just a book to me. It lived in my house. It sat with

me at the breakfast table and it understood that I did not understand it as well as I loved it. Those of you who love books will have empathy. It means so much to me to see an old dog-eared friend again. Be on the lookout for a book that has been loved; it's mine.

Thank you,
Jane Erington

Challenge for Women

By Vvian Grover

Avila, along with The Association for Women in Science, co-sponsored a Math and Science challenge for area high school female students in grades 9-12. It was held on Saturday, November 16 in Whitfield Conference Center.

The purpose of this challenge was to highlight the talents of area high school women in Math and Science. A total of nine schools participated which resulted in a fully registered contest.

The contest consisted of

seven events: biology, chemistry, physics, earth science, science current events/environmental science/technology, science calculations, and math topics, such as trigonometry and calculus. Up to five female students could compete at one time.

The contest was a success! It was the first contest of this nature that Avila had sponsored," said Dr. Larry Sullivan. "There was a successful turn out of all the NAHSM faculty members, Dean Harris, and

Karen Smith, president of The Association for Women in Science.

There were three top winners, Oak Park High School placed first, Olathe South High School placed second, and St. Teresa's Academy placed third. All in all, "everyone went home a winner, whether they received a certificate or a button," said Sullivan.

Business Internships Available

An internship can mean the difference between getting or not getting a job offer. The Business Internship program will help students gain practical job experience while receiving academic credit, develop job search skills such as resume writing, career planning and networking, improve and strengthen pre-

viously learned or newly acquired skills, and help supplement tuition costs. A full or part-time undergraduate business major with junior standing or above who has completed at least 12 hours at Avila is eligible. Recent internship employers include AT&T, American Royal, EPA, House of Lloyd, KU Medical Center,

Marion Merrell Dow, Nelson Art Gallery, United Missouri Bank, US Sprint, cpa firms, and many other local firms. Interested students should contact Richard Parshall in Whitfield room 504 or call 942-8400, ext. 256.

Advent is a Time of Preparation

By Father Mario

On December 1, we began the liturgical year with the first Sunday of Advent. Let's talk about this season. Advent origins can be traced to 4th-century Gaul. There was a period of fasting and prayer of about three weeks in preparation for the Baptismal feast of Epiphany. In time the practice made its way to England. Epiphany was not a baptismal feast in Rome. Therefore, when Advent appeared there, it was a liturgical preparation for Christmas. This first appearance is recorded in the 6th century. Pope Gregory I is the author of the liturgy of Advent. He set the length of the season to four weeks with the special prayers that we use today.

Advent is a time of preparation for the coming of Christ at Christmas. It is one of my favorite seasons, filled with excitement, expectation and preparation for Christ's birth. We celebrate the mystery of waiting and hoping. How do we prepare ourselves? Many of us are now thinking of final exams, papers and last-minute study and re-

view of class notes, which is all very important. Some others are thinking of decorations, Christmas trees, wreaths, lights, angels, and nativity sets. Others are busy making lists of Christmas presents to buy family and friends, how much to spend on each, depending, of course, what they gave me last year, and not to exceed the amount! Still others are busy in the kitchen baking and cooking up a storm-enough food to feed an army. These are all wonderful ways to prepare for Advent and Christmas. Will it make any difference on Christmas morning? Will we have any insights in the mystery of God becoming a human being and sharing experiences with us? Can we spend Advent looking for Christ, seeing Christ in the people we meet, and helping us to think of Christ in the people who do Christ-like things for us? If we can, then we haven't wasted the four weeks of Advent, and when December 25 comes around, the Baby Jesus will "make our day."

Have a great semester break and a holy and blessed Christmas Season and New Year.

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What's Happening at Avila

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| Dec. 15-18 | Bookstore Christmas sale |
| Dec. 23-27 | Bookstore closed |
| Jan. 13 | Women's basketball - away |
| Jan. 15 | Men's basketball - away |
| Jan. 15 | Women's basketball - away |
| Jan. 17 | Men's basketball -away |
| Jan. 18 | Women's basketball - away |
| Jan. 20 | Martin Luther King Day - no classes |

Happy Holidays

MCHENRY RECEIVES TBS INTERNSHIP

Turner Broadcasting System awarded Senior Communication major Darrah McHenry a 3-month internship beginning January 14 in Atlanta.

TBS received hundreds of internship applications and selected Darrah as one of their top two applicants. After a 1-month orientation, Darrah will write and produce stories for the program "Between The Lines".

Avila Launches S.I.F.E.

By Scott Duffen

The goal for S.I.F.E., Students In Free Enterprise, is to provide its members with a better understanding of and a greater appreciation for the free enterprise system. S.I.F.E. programs are educational projects for students and the surrounding community.

S.I.F.E.'s first project is in conjunction with Big Bob's Used Carpet and the Boys and Girls Club.

Each member is contributing in the development of an advisory board, which

will consist of a variety of professionals throughout Kansas City. These professionals will aid S.I.F.E. with their knowledge and expertise.

Avila has the only S.I.F.E. chapter in the Kansas City area. It consists of 24 members, 14 undergraduate students and 10 graduate students.

The 1991-92 officers include: Sharon Garcia-Graduate President, Derek Moorhead-Undergraduate President, Jean Potter-Treasurer, Sarah Caldwell-Recording Secretary, and Ray Christy-Computer Secretary.

With Pen in Hand

By Linda Moon

Sage Enterprises out of Washington state announces their Winter Poetry Contest. They are offering \$75 for 1st prize, \$35 for 2nd prize, and \$20 for 3rd prize. They are looking for original works, any style or subject, typed or legibly handprinted. They would like your name and address in the upper right-hand corner and that only one poem be placed on each written page.

There is an entry fee of \$3 for the first poem and \$1 for each additional poem submitted. Entries cannot be returned, so be sure to keep a copy of your work. If interested in the results of the contest, you can send a self-addressed stamped envelope with your entry. The deadline for all entries is December 31.

Mail to:

SAGE ENTERPRISES

1603 W. Lee St.

Moses Lake, WA 98837

Cymbals-National Student Literary Magazine wants college authors to enter their competition. The categories are Poetry, Short Story, and Essay. Each category will be awarded \$100 for each 1st place winner and \$50 for each 2nd prize winner.

Deadline is January 15 and all entries should include a short personal history of the author.

Send to:

CYMBALS

15600 Mulholland Dr.

Los Angeles, CA. 90077

Avila, Grandma and Me

By Vivian Grover

A child's mind is a terrible thing to waste. This statement is the key theme behind Shiverla Moor's exploration into the business of selling children's books. Shiverla was able to accomplish starting her own business through Avila's entrepreneur program. She heard about the program from a friend, and is she glad she did! She is now the proud owner of "Shiverla's Ethnic-N-Art Children's Books." These books are not just any old books! These are books about ethnic groups from across the globe. These are books that create a knowl-

edgeable identity about great leaders and educators, where they have been, and how young children can someday get there.

Shiverla, an Afro-American mother of five, said in past years she was concerned with finding books that highlighted the heritage and culture of her own children. After becoming a grandmother, Moore was determined to acquaint her grandchildren with a "a slice of life" that neither she nor her children had cut into. With success in the palm of her hand, Shiverla aspires to incorporate ethnic books into the elementary curriculum.

Enhance Your Weekend

By Linda Porter

So what is there to do on a weekend in Kansas City? Watch a rerun, clean your house, do the laundry? How about getting some college credit hours instead?

Avila's Weekend College is designed for students who, because of job and family responsibilities, find Saturday and Sunday classes a convenient time for learning and study.

The Weekend College is for people of all ages. People interested in

pursuing a degree, those who want to enhance their careers, and for personal growth.

Those who wish to enrich their weekends by attending college classes can choose courses in Anthropology, Communication, Computer Science, Education, English, Gerontology, History, Natural Science, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Public Administration, Social Work, Sociology, Theology and Women's Studies.

Weekend College offers two degrees, an Associate

of General Studies Degree and a Bachelor of General Studies Degree.

Students can choose from two different schedule options. Semester-long classes that meet weekly on either Saturday mornings, Saturday afternoons, or two time slots on Sunday afternoons. Or Intensive weekend classes that usually meet one weekend on Friday evening and Saturday.

For more detailed information consult the Avila Spring Semester 1992 Class Schedule or call Dave Wissmann, coordinator of Weekend College.

Have A Pretzel

By Vivian Grover

Mark Pretzel is the music director and conductor of the Avila College Symphony Orchestra.

The University of Cincinnati College Conservatory of Music is where the magic began. Here, Mark received his Bachelor and Master of Music degrees in piano performance. He then went on to receive his Master of Music degree in orchestral conducting from Bowling Green State University. Mark is in the process of completing his Doctorate in conducting

at the University of Missouri-Kansas City Conservatory of Music. For Mark, music has been a part of his life since he could remember. "Music is my life; it is emotion," said Pretzel.

Mark is presently a member of the piano faculty of Avila. He privately teaches piano to students, some advanced and some not so advanced. For anyone interested in piano or meeting Mr. Pretzel, stop by and see him some time. His office is in Borserine in the Music area.

The Men of the Foos

By Dale Franklin

It's almost addictive. A man can say it is stupid one day and be fiendishly hooked the next. It makes your palms sweat and your heart beat faster. The talk is hard and violent. It takes guts to try it, and the weak are quickly eliminated. Foosball is anything but a nice, friendly game.

The foosball table, down in the Avila Snack Bar, is always busy. The table is worn and dirty.

The rubber men are scrapped and scarred from years of tenacious battles. Foosball is a game played by two or four players; one-on-one or two-on-two. These players manipulate a plastic ball with rubber men, which are attached to metal rods. The players push, pull, and rotate, without spinning, to put the ball in their opponents' goal.

The players are normal students until they step up to the foosball table. The

transformation is instant. They become heartless cutthroats with nothing but hatred in their eyes. They don't believe in mercy. The only smiles are the mocking smirks of the winning team. The foosball player is a different breed. Their first loyalty is to the game of foosball where the Foos is god, the Jerusalem rules, the Jane's Addiction is sweet, and the victory is everything.

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Got A Complaint?

By Jane Malone

Attention, attention residents! RHA, the resident hall association, is appealing to its residents. Complaints? Would you like to see changes? RHA would like to see and hear from you. Meetings are Wednesday nights at 10:30 p.m. in the 6th floor lounge, unless otherwise noted. Attendance is encouraged and appreciated. Residents do have a voice in how the halls are run and operated. However, interest, new ideas and participation are the first steps if anything is to change. Please help end the silence! Voice your opinions to RHA.

Merry Christmas And A Happy New Year From The Examiner Staff



By Debbie Stressner

New Sports for Avila?

By Mike Maupin

"Should Avila add women's soccer and/or men's football?" This is the latest question being asked around campus.

During the summer of 1990, the Board of Trustees asked if it would be financially feasible to add women's soccer and/or men's football.

Phase II is concerned with receiving input from students, faculty, staff, and alumni. Several focus groups,

including faculty, staff, varsity athletes, residents, alumni, part-time students, and full-time students have met to discuss the issue at hand. The results and ideas will be presented to the board in February 1992.

If the board decides to proceed to Phase III of the study, the college will go out and find potential donors to cover the "start-up" costs on introducing either or both sports.

If these sports were added to Avila's program, a possibility of new residence halls would have to be constructed on the North side of campus. The earliest possible introduction of women's soccer would be for Fall 1993 and a men's junior varsity football team for Fall 1994 with a varsity program in Fall 1995.

Men's Basketball Update

By Dennis Hallblade

The Avila men's basketball team got their season underway on November 9 as they faced School of the Ozarks at Mabee Fieldhouse. The Eagles, under new head coach Fred Turner, got their season off to a good start by defeating the Bobcats 62-60.

The game was close from beginning to end, but a 15-foot jumpshot by Randy Johnson with two seconds left

sealed the Eagles first victory of the season.

The Eagles weren't as fortunate when they faced the Ottawa Braves on November 12. In the noisy confines of the Braves' Wilson Gymnasium, the Eagles got off to a shaky start and found themselves down by 11 at the half.

The Eagles showed signs of life in the second

half as they closed the gap to 6 with 5 minutes in the game, but poor shooting and costly turnovers cost the team down the stretch. The Braves went on to win 76-60.

Who Wears Short Shorts

By Dennis Hallblade

Michael Jordan has done a lot for the basketball world. His style and play are imitated on just about every court in America. Even his on-court fashion statements are being imitated. The new style Michael Jordan has brought to the basketball world are baggy shorts and black shoes.

Actually the black shoes have been around for decades, starting with the old Chuck Taylor Converse of the Boston Celtics. However,

since Jordan's arrival in the NBA, the black shoe has become more prevalent.

Michael Jordan may be responsible for the popularity of the baggy short look. It seems as though most teams on high school, college, and pro levels have this new look.

Avila College basketball has even followed in the footsteps of Jordan. Both men's and women's teams have baggy shorts that come down to the knees.

The women's team also wears the black shoes.

Are teams doing this because it's the latest thing to do? Probably, but from a player's viewpoint I feel the new shorts are more comfortable than the old skintight shorts.

Unlike most fashion trends, I believe the baggy shorts and black shoes will be around for some time. So if you like this look you're in luck. If you don't, you probably better get used to it!

Support Your Favorite Sport

NAME: Gary Minich

AGE: 20

YEAR IN SCHOOL: Junior

SPORT PLAYED: Baseball

POSITION: Shortstop

HOMETOWN: Olathe, Ks

FEELINGS ABOUT TEAM: "I feel we have the makings of a good team. The older guys are going to have to play to their potential, and the younger guys need to develop quick."

FAVORITE FOOD: Mexican

FAVORITE MOVIE: Fletch

FAVORITE T.V. SHOW: 'Coach'

FAVORITE BOOK: Of Mice and Men

FAVORITE ATHLETE: Amos Otis

HOBBIES: Fishing

SPARE TIME: Play Nintendo

IF YOU COULD GO ANYWHERE OR DO ANYTHING WHAT WOULD IT BE? "I would go to the outback in Australia and live off the land."